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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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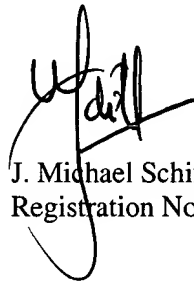
Dear Sir:

The information listed in the accompanying form PTO-1449 and provided herewith may be material to examination of this application and is submitted in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56. The Examiner is requested to make this information of record in the application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a full search for relevant information has been made, that all relevant information has been found, or that the information provided with this Statement is considered to be material to patentability of the claimed invention as defined under 37 CFR § 1.56(b).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the first Office Action on the merits, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.197(c)(2). Applicants respectfully submit that no fee is due, since a fee under 37 CFR § 1.117(p) was paid in this application on June 6, 2002. However, should the Office determine that a second fee under § 1.117(p) is payable, or that any other fees are required for further consideration of the application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account 07/1139, referencing the docket number indicated above.

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